

REMARKS

This submission is in further response to the Examiner's action dated November 18, 2005. It supplements the Amendment filed March 16, 2006, which, it is understood, will now be entered, together with this submission.

The remarks contained in the Amendment of March 16, 2006, are incorporated here by reference.

By the present submission, a further dependent claim 21 has been added. This claim further specifies that the structure of the vessel for recovering juices and the at least one cooking element are such that the vessel can be fully enveloped by the peripheral lateral wall of the at least one cooking element when placed in the inverted position on the pedestal. The structural relationship defined in claim 21 is not disclosed in any of the applied references.

In view of the foregoing, it is requested that the prior art rejections presented in Sections 4 and 5 of the Action be reconsidered and withdrawn, that the pending claims be allowed, along with allowed claims 12 and 13, and that the application be found in allowable condition.

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If the above amendment should not now place the application in condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to call undersigned counsel to resolve any remaining issues.

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